GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Department of Human Services



PUBLIC NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Mayor's Advisory Committee on Early Childhood Development Early Learning Opportunities Act Subgrants

The District of Columbia Mayor's Advisory Committee on Early Childhood Development (MACECD) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) Office of Early Childhood Development (OECD) seek to provide four grants to organizations capable of providing services in the following areas: 1) program evaluation, 2) database design for a new literacy volunteers' website, www. EarlyReadersNow.org 3) coordination of a faith based read aloud program for young children in child care centers and 4) family book clubs for children and families.

The total amount available for all four grants is \$235,000. The grant awards shall be for a period not to exceed one year from the date of the award. A separate grant application is required for each funding stream. Funding levels for each grant are as follows:

1) D.C. Department of Human Services Early Learning Opportunities Project

Evaluation

DHS/OECD seeks to fund a maximum of one grant award up to \$100,000.

- 2) D.C. Department of Human Services Early Learning Opportunities Act Project
 - Creation of Database for Early Readers Now!

DHS/OECD seeks to fund a maximum of one grant award up to \$25,000

3) D.C. Department of Human Services Early Learning Opportunities Act Project – Faith Based Initiative

DHS/OECD seeks to fund a maximum of one grant award up to \$40,000...

4) D.C. Department of Human Services Early Learning Opportunities Project - Family Book Clubs

DHS/OECD seeks to fund a maximum of one grant award up to \$70,000.

The Request for Application (RFA) will be available on Friday, November 12, 2004. Applications may be obtained from the Office of Partnerships and Grants Development website, www.opgd.dc.gov, District Grants Clearinghouse or the DHS Office of Grants Management, 64 New York Avenue, NE, Sixth Floor, Washington, DC.

The Pre-Application Conference will be held on Monday, November 22, 2004, from 10:30 am. to 12:30 pm. at the DHS Office of Early Childhood Development (OECD), 717 14th Street, NW, 8th Floor Conference Room, Washington, DC 20005. For preparation purposes, those planning to attend are requested to RSVP to Priscilla L. Burnett, Program Assistant at (202) 671-4398 or via e-mail to priscilla.burnett@dc.gov.

The deadline for application submission is December 13, 2004, 4:00 PM.

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